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Specification, including claims and abstract (25 pages);

Drawings: three figures (three sheets);

Declaration from prior application;

Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet;

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Basic Fee					\$ 385.00		\$ 770.00
Total Claims	1	( - 20)	--	\$ 9	\$ --	\$ 18	\$
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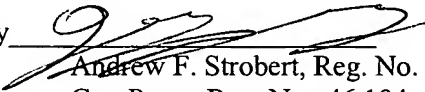
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